

Exemption Category  
77-10722

12 December 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: John F. Blake  
Acting Deputy Director of  
Central Intelligence

Stan:

STAT

1. As you know, both Cord Meyer and [redacted] two senior assistants in the O/DDCI, are planning to retire on 31 December. This gives me a short-range problem and I propose to solve it on a short-range basis.

STAT

2. On the assumption there will be a permanent and seated DDCI on approximately 1 February 1978, I do not feel at ease to bring in full-time replacements for Cord and [redacted]. However, I will need some help after their departure. I propose to have Fred Janney act as the only senior assistant from 1 January until D-day (D standing for my Departure). Fred has a good background in breadth in the Organization and has previously served as a special assistant to the Executive Director and to a former DDCI. He does not desire permanent assignment to the job but is happy to help me out.

STAT

3. I would propose to draft a slate of candidates for permanent assignment for the consideration of the new DDCI.

[redacted]

John F. Blake

*File*  
14 DEC 1977

Distribution:

Orig - DCI  
1 - ADDCI  
1 - ER

STAT

[redacted] DDCI

SENDER WILL CHECK CLASSIFICATION TOP AND BOTTOM			
	UNCLASSIFIED	CONFIDENTIAL	SECRET
<b>OFFICIAL ROUTING SLIP</b> <span style="float: right;">✓</span>			
TO	NAME AND ADDRESS	DATE	INITIALS
1	Director of Central Intelligence 7D 5607 Hqs	14 DEC 1977	<i>Rec'd</i> <i>13 Dec</i>
2			
3			
4	<i>A/DOCI</i>		<i>W</i>
5			
6			
	<b>ACTION</b>	<b>DIRECT REPLY</b>	<b>PREPARE REPLY</b>
	<b>APPROVAL</b>	<b>DISPATCH</b>	<b>RECOMMENDATION</b>
	<b>COMMENT</b>	<b>FILE</b>	<b>RETURN</b>
	<b>CONCURRENCE</b>	<b>INFORMATION</b>	<b>SIGNATURE</b>
<b>Remarks:</b> <i>DCI common REQUESTER; does he wish to see list of candidates prepared for new D/DCI per para 3?</i>			
<b>STAT</b> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 50px; margin: 0 auto;"></div> 14 DEC 1977			
<b>FOLD HERE TO RETURN TO SENDER</b>			
<b>FROM: NAME, ADDRESS AND PHONE NO.</b>			<b>DATE</b>
Acting Deputy Director of Central Intelligence 7D 5607 Hqs			14 DEC 77
	UNCLASSIFIED	CONFIDENTIAL	SECRET